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Serial No. 09/763,666)
) Group Art Unit 3743
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AMENDMENT AFTER FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Filed herewith is a request for an extension of time of three months, together with the fee. The commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include payment of issue fees.

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